State of California Regional Water Quality Control Board San Diego Region

EXECUTIVE OFFICER SUMMARY REPORT

October 9, 2002

ITEM: 6

SUBJECT: Administrative Assessment of Civil Liability containing a

Mandatory Minimum Penalty against the City of Coronado (Glorietta Bay Pump Station Construction Dewatering) for

violations of Order No. 2000-90, NPDES Permit No. CAG919001,

General Waste Discharge Requirements for Temporary

Groundwater Extraction and Similar Waste Discharges to San Diego Bay and Storm Drains or Other Conveyance Systems Tributary Thereto. (Tentative Order No. R9-2002-0310) (Sherrie

Komeylyan)

PURPOSE: The Regional Board will decide whether to adopt tentative Order

No. R9 -2002-0310 (Attachment 1) accepting settlement of civil

liability in the amount of \$39,000.

PUBLIC NOTICE: On August 27, 2002, the public was informed of the proposed

settlement of liability in the September 11, 2002 Regional Board Meeting Agenda Notice. Also, this information was posted on the Regional Board web site for public review. As of September 27, 2002, no comments concerning the settlement of liability have

been received.

DISCUSSION: On August 1, 2002, the Executive Officer issued Complaint No.

R9-2002-0206 to the City of Coronado for violations of Order No. 2000-90 (General Dewatering Permit for discharges to San Diego Bay). The City of Coronado is constructing a pump station in Glorietta Bay, Coronado. Construction activities necessitated pumping of intruding groundwater which is conveyed to temporary pipes across the site and discharged directly to San Diego Bay. Pumping at this facility began on May 11, 2001. The City of Coronado is limited to discharging 1,500,000 gallons per day. The City of Coronado reported thirteen violations of total coliform, fecal coliform, total suspended solids, copper, chronic toxicity, and hydrogen sulfide within a six-month period (January 2002 through June 2002). On August 20, 2002 the City of Coronado signed and submitted a waiver of hearing form agreeing to the terms of the Complaint (Attachment 3). The City of Coronado at the same time submitted a check in the amount of \$39,000 for payment of their mandatory minimum penalties, a copy of which is attached (Attachment 4). If the Regional Board does not adopt the tentative

Order, a hearing will be rescheduled for a future Regional Board

meeting.

LEGAL CONCERNS: None.

SUPPORTING

DOCUMENTS: (1) Tentative Order No. R9-2002-0310

(2) Table 1 – Violation Summary for Glorietta Bay Pump

Station Construction Dewatering

(3) Waiver of Hearing Form

(4) Copy of check No. 7984739

RECOMMENDATION(S) Adopt tentative Order No. R9-2002-0310.